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## **About this Document**

This chapter describes the organization and content of the document and includes the following topics:

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## About this Document

#### **PURPOSE**

This document describes the design and requirements of the Threshold Monitoring (TM) software of the International Data Centre (IDC). The software is part of the Performance Monitoring computer software component (CSC) of the System Monitoring Computer Software Configuration Item (CSCI). This document provides a basis for implementing, supporting, and testing the software.

### SCOPE

The Threshold Monitoring software is identified as follows:

Title: Threshold Monitoring

Abbreviation: TM

This document describes the architectural and detailed design of the software including its functionality, components, data structures, high-level interfaces, method of execution, and underlying hardware. This information is modeled on the Data Item Description for *Software Design Descriptions* [DOD94a].

#### **AUDIENCE**

This document is intended for all engineering and management staff concerned with the design and requirements of all IDC software in general and of TM in particular. The detailed descriptions are intended for programmers who will be developing, testing, or maintaining TM.

### **RELATED INFORMATION**

The following documents complement this document:

- Database Schema, Revision 2 [IDC5.1.1Rev2]
- Distributed Application Control System (DACS) Software User Manual, Revision 0.1 [IDC6.5.2Rev0.1]
- Threshold Monitoring Software User Manual [IDC6.5.14]
- Distributed Application Control System (DACS) [IDC7.3.1]

See "References" on page 67 for a list of documents that supplement this document. The following UNIX manual (man) pages apply to software used by TM:

- DFX
- tuxshell

#### USING THIS DOCUMENT

This document is part of the overall documentation architecture for the IDC. It is part of the Software category, which describes the design of the software. This document is organized as follows:

■ Chapter 1: Overview

This chapter provides a high-level view of TM, including its functionality, components, background, status of development, and current operating environment.

Chapter 2: Architectural Design

This chapter describes the architectural design of TM, including its conceptual design, design decisions, functions, and interface design.

Chapter 3: Detailed Design

This chapter describes the detailed design of TM including its data flow, software units, and database design.

References

This section lists the sources cited in this document.

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## Glossary

This section defines the terms, abbreviations, and acronyms used in this document

#### ■ Index

This section lists topics and features provided in the document along with page numbers for reference.

#### Conventions

This document uses a variety of conventions, which are described in the following tables. Table I shows the conventions for data flow diagrams. Table II shows the conventions for entity-relationship diagrams. Table III lists typographical conventions. Table IV explains certain technical terms that are not part of the standard Glossary, which is located at the end of this document.

TABLE I: DATA FLOW SYMBOLS

Description	Symbol <sup>1</sup>
process	#
external source or sink of data	
data store  D = disk store  Db = database store	D
control flow	<b>→</b>
data flow	
product	

<sup>1.</sup> Symbols in this table are based on Gane-Sarson conventions [Gan79].

TABLE II: ENTITY-RELATIONSHIP SYMBOLS

Description	Symbol
One A maps to one B.	A <b>←</b> →B
One A maps to zero or one B.	A <b>←</b> ─○►B
One A maps to many Bs.	A <b>←</b> →→B
One <b>A</b> maps to zero or many <b>B</b> s.	A <b>←</b> ──○ <b>▶</b> >B
database table	tablename
	primary key foreign key
	attribute 1 attribute 2
	 attribute n

TABLE III: TYPOGRAPHICAL CONVENTIONS

Element	Font	Example
database table	bold	fpdescription
database attributes	italics	orid
processes, software units, and libraries		TMthreshold
user-defined arguments and variables used in parameter (par) files or program command lines		CreateTMSession par= <parfile></parfile>
titles of documents		Database Schema
filenames, directories, and websites	courier	staticdir/Targets/targets.n
text that should be typed in exactly as shown		role=TMprod

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TABLE IV: TECHNICAL TERMS

Term	Description
GMT	Generic Mapping Tools [Wes95]
IASP91	name of a particular earth model [Ken91b]

# Chapter 1: Overview

This chapter provides a general overview of the TM software and includes the following topics:

- Introduction
- Functionality
- Identification
- Status of Development
- Background and History
- Operating Environment

## Chapter 1: Overview

#### INTRODUCTION

The software of the IDC acquires time-series and radionuclide data from stations of the International Monitoring System (IMS) and other locations. These data are passed through a number of automatic and interactive analysis stages, which culminate in the estimation of location and in the origin time of events (earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and so on) in the earth, including its oceans and atmosphere. The results of the analysis are distributed to States Parties and other users by various means. Approximately one million lines of developmental software are spread across six CSCIs of the software architecture. One additional CSCI is devoted to run-time data of the software. Figure 1 shows the logical organization of the IDC software. The System Monitoring CSCI monitors system performance through the following CSCs:

- System Monitoring
   This software consists of two scripts that measure the recent input data completeness on individual stations and channels, respectively.
- Performance Monitoring This software consists of scripts and tools used to assess and report the performance of the system. It includes scripts that run the Fixed Data Set Test.

The TM software is part of the Performance Monitoring CSC. Figure 2 shows the relationship of TM to the Automatic Processing, Interactive Processing, Distributed Processing, and Data Services CSCIs.

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FIGURE 1. IDC SOFTWARE CONFIGURATION HIERARCHY

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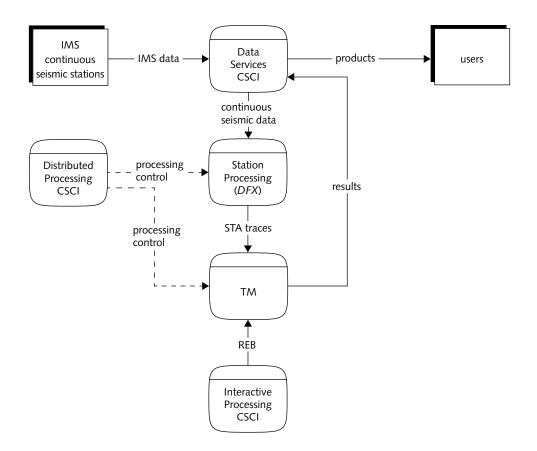


FIGURE 2. RELATIONSHIP OF TM TO OTHER SOFTWARE UNITS AND CSCIS

### **FUNCTIONALITY**

The main function of TM is to assist in monitoring compliance with the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT), in particular, by placing confidence in the performance of the primary seismic network of the IMS, but also by giving a warning in the case of lowered monitoring capability, for example, caused by station outages, communication problems, data processing problems, or extremely high seismic activity. TM produces three products to accomplish this function: plots of data availability and interfering events for one-hour intervals, an overview of the

background noise levels and the observed signals at each of the primary stations during the data interval, and maps of network detection capability for the data interval.

### **IDENTIFICATION**

TM's components are identified as follows:

- TMthreshold
- TMmap
- makecdf.2562
- TMprod
- tmstatus
- tm\_stast
- plotuptime
- detplot
- rdf2cdf
- TMpostreb
- TMbulletin
- replotuptime
- loopuptime
- CreateTMSession
- AddTMStation
- DeleteTMStation
- tm\_beambasic
- tm\_globrec
- LoopCopy
- CopyPSFile
- makelibs
- makemods

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#### STATUS OF DEVELOPMENT

TM was developed by NORSAR and was delivered for use at the IDC in 1998. Version 3.4 of the TM software is described in this document. That version includes a few changes to *CreateTMSession*, *AddTMStation*, *DeleteTMStation*, and *LoopCopy*. One print statement was changed in *TMmap*, and the *ctms* library was updated. Code for formerly "external" libraries is included. The static data directory in version 3.4 contains new station processing recipes for ARCES, NVAR, and PDYAR. Future versions may be released with new station processing recipes.

#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY**

Tormod Kværna of NORSAR developed the TM software. It was introduced in a paper written by Frode Ringdal and Tormod Kværna in 1989 [Rin89].

TM was implemented in the Prototype International Data Centre (PIDC) at the Center for Monitoring Research (CMR) in Arlington, Virginia, U.S.A. in 1998 and is currently an element of the International Data Centre of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO IDC) in Vienna, Austria.

#### **OPERATING ENVIRONMENT**

The following paragraphs describe the hardware and commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) software required to operate TM.

#### Hardware

TM runs on a Sun workstation such as the Ultra 10. Typically, the hardware is configured with 128 MB of memory and a minimum of 2.5 GB of magnetic disk. A 4 GB disk should be dedicated to this task to accommodate future expansion of the primary seismic network or any increase in the length of the files written. Due to the amount of input/output (I/O) performed, the disk to which TM will read and write must be mounted locally on the machine on which TM runs; otherwise, the performance of TM will be significantly retarded.

One year's worth of output files from TM requires about 4.7 GB. Sufficient disk space should also be available for long-term storage of these files. Figure 3 shows a representative hardware configuration.

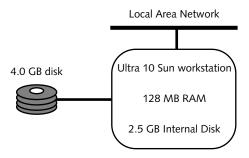


FIGURE 3. REPRESENTATIVE HARDWARE CONFIGURATION FOR TM

## Commercial-Off-The-Shelf Software

TM was designed using Solaris 2.6 and ORACLE 7.3.4, but runs using later versions (Solaris 2.7 and ORACLE 8.1.5). The software also depends on the Generic Mapping Tools (GMT 3.3.6 plus errata) software [Wes95] and BEA TUXEDO (version 6.5).

# Chapter 2: Architectural Design

This chapter describes the architectural design of TM and includes the following topics:

- Conceptual Design
- Design Decisions
- Functional Description
- Interface Design

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#### **CONCEPTUAL DESIGN**

Traditional methods for assessing the network detection capability use statistical models for the noise and signal distributions to calculate the detection thresholds as a function of the number of phase detections required for defining an event ([Syk82], [Har85], [Han85], [Rin86], and [Ser89]). The noise models used in these capability assessments are not able to accommodate the effect of interfering signals, such as the coda of large earthquakes, which may cause the estimated thresholds to be quite unrealistic at times. Nor can these methods include effects like communication problems and data processing deficiencies. The TM approach ([Rin89], [Rin92], [Kvæ97a], and [Kvæ97b]) incorporates all of the effects listed above and provides a continuous assessment of the detection capability of the primary seismic network.

### **Generating Threshold Traces**

Following [Rin92], assume a network of N seismic stations (i = 1,2,...,N) and M seismic phases (j = 1,2,...,M). For a seismic event of magnitude  $m_b = m$  an estimate  $\hat{m}_{ij}$  of m is given by equation (1):

$$\hat{m}_{ij} = \log S_{ij} + b_j(\Delta, h) \tag{1}$$

where  $S_{ij}$  is the measured signal power of the j-th phase at the i-th station and  $b_i(\Delta, h)$  is a distance-depth correction term for the j-th phase.

The signal power  $S_{ij}$  is usually estimated as A/T, the amplitude of the ground movement (A) divided by the dominant signal period (T). In this case,  $S_{ij}$  is assumed to be the measured signal power of the ground velocity (in other words,

the short-term average or STA) at the expected signal arrival time. The signal power is measured on a single channel or array beam filtered in an appropriate frequency band.

Traditionally, equation (1) is defined only for the time window corresponding to a detected seismic event. Consider the right side of equation (1) as a continuous function of time, and define the "threshold parameter"  $a_{ii}(t)$  as follows:

$$a_{ij}(t) = \log S_{ij}(t) + b_i(\Delta, h)$$
 (2)

Equation (2) is the upper magnitude limit for a hypothetical seismic event at a given geographical location (target region) as a function of time. If an actual event does occur at the site,  $a_{ij}$  for the time that the signal arrives is the event magnitude estimate for the station. By definition, the function is tied to a specific station and a specific phase.

Using a statistical approach, and assuming statistical independence of the observations [Rin89], a network-based representation of the upper magnitude limit is obtained by considering the function (3):

$$g(m,t) = 1 - \prod_{i,j} \left\{ 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{[m - a_{ij}(t)]}{\sigma_{ij}}\right) \right\}$$
(3)

where m is the event magnitude,  $\sigma_{ij}$  is the standard deviation of the assumed magnitude distribution for the i-th station and j-th phase, and  $\Phi$  denotes the standard (0,1) normal distribution function.

The function g(m, t) is the probability that a given (hypothetical) seismic event of magnitude m at time t would generate signals that exceed the observed noise values for at least one station of the network. For a given t, the function g(m, t) is a monotonically increasing function of m, with values between 0 and 1. A 90 percent upper limit at time t is defined as the solution to equation (3) for which

$$g(m,t) = 0.90 (4)$$

The solution is a function of t,  $m_{T90}(t)$ , and is called the threshold trace for the network and target region being considered.

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# Calculating Detection Capability

The threshold trace developed in the previous section is not directly related to the detection capability of the network in the usual sense. Nevertheless, the general method described can be used to obtain a continuous estimate of the n-station network detection capability. To do this, the required signal-to-noise ratio (snr) is added to each individual station threshold trace, and the level is adjusted to correspond to a probability level of 90 percent for phase detection at each station. Let  $t_{ij}$  represent the snr detection limit (in log units) for the i-th station and the j-th phase, and let  $d_{ij}(t)$  represent the detection threshold (in magnitude units) for that station. Let  $\sigma_{ij}$  represent the assumed standard deviation of the signal. The detection threshold is given by equation (5):

$$d_{ij}(t) = a_{ij}(t) + t_{ij}(t) + 1.28\sigma_{ij}$$
(5)

Consider only P-type phases (the extension to the general case is obvious). Eliminating the index j, order the individual station detection thresholds so that:

$$d_1(t) \le d_2(t) \le \dots \le d_N(t)$$
 (6)

The n-station network detection threshold at time t is defined as the magnitude value  $d_n(t)$ . For a hypothetical event at this magnitude, at least n stations would be expected to exceed their respective detection thresholds, thus allowing for a network detection of the hypothetical event.

This formulation is quite different from the standard methods for network detection threshold estimation [Har85]. Standard methods assume a statistical distribution of noise and signal amplitude levels and do not utilize the continuously recorded seismic field. Standard methods also employ a somewhat more complicated combinatorial technique, which has been simplified by ordering the individual station thresholds by increasing magnitude.

It would be feasible to calculate the detection thresholds using the combinatorial technique on a continuous basis by using the individual station threshold traces as input. However, examples have shown that the simplified calculation gives results that are generally consistent with combinatorial calculations and that the differences in the results are well below the inherent uncertainties in either method.

## Calculating Detection Capability Traces for Global Grid Systems

Global threshold monitoring is achieved by conducting site-specific monitoring of a grid of target points covering the globe. The density of the grid and the interpolation technique applied generally determines the quality of the results.

The method described in [Vin92] was adopted to develop global grid point systems. This method applies triangulation of an icosahedron to construct regularly sampled wavefronts and provides a nearly uniform geographical coverage of the globe at a specified grid density [Kvæ92].

The grid density to be used is mainly a cost-performance trade-off. A 2,562-point grid was chosen for the initial version of TM. Figure 4 shows this grid system in which the region belonging to each grid point corresponds to a circle with a radius of 2.7 degrees. Each grid point is located at the surface of the earth.

The density of the global grid is quite different from the beam deployment density for the arrays in the station network. For each array, a certain number of steering points is selected. When calculating the threshold traces for a given grid point, the closest beam steering point is used. Thus, a potential beam steering loss must be taken into account when calculating the "representative" threshold for the region connected to the grid point.

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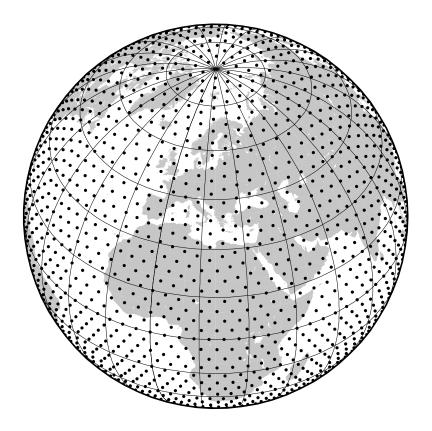


FIGURE 4. 2,562 GLOBAL MONITORING TARGET POINTS

The beam steering loss is mainly a function of array aperture and signal frequency. Figure 5 shows an illustration for the ASAR array, including 3 dB beam loss contours for P-type velocities derived from analysis of ASAR events filtered in the 1–4.5 Hz filter band. These loss contours are circles when shown in slowness space, so the steering points do not translate into equidistant geographical points. If teleseismic distances mainly are considered, the number of steering points for a given worst-case loss is modest.

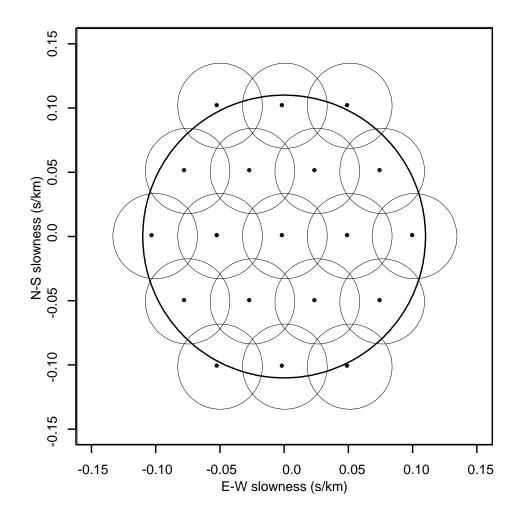


FIGURE 5. ASAR P-PHASE BEAM DEPLOYMENT

# Calibrating Magnitudes and Setting Time/Azimuth/Slowness Tolerances

Optimum performance of global threshold monitoring requires access to magnitude calibration statistics for each target point and each station/phase combination considered. In a practical situation the necessary number of calibration events for each target point in the grid cannot be obtained, and a different approach is required. The approach is to consider only P-phases and to use "generic" attenua-

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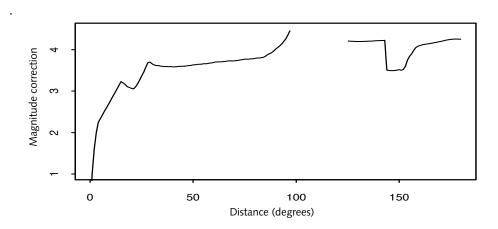
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tion models. The results from several studies ([Vei72], [Rin79], and [Har85]) are combined to obtain the magnitude calibration function and the travel-time curves of seismic phases P, PKPdf, and PKPab (from IASP91 [International Association of Seismology and Physics of the Earth's Interior] [Ken91b], see Figure 6) over the full distance range of 0–180 degrees. For the distance range of 97–125 degrees, reliable magnitude correction parameters do not exist, so observations in this distance interval are currently not used in calculating detection capability. This lack of parameters makes little difference in practice, because the 97–125 degree distance range corresponds to the P "shadow zone" where direct P-type phases are attenuated.

In threshold monitoring, a trade-off exists between the size of the target area and the tolerances of the parameter values used in the threshold computations. With a given grid, the tolerances of each aiming point must be made compatible with the grid spacing, such that conservative estimates can be made of the detection capability.

For example, a region with a central grid point at a distance of 40 degrees from a given station will span the distance interval from 37.3 to 42.2 degrees. According to the IASP91 model [Ken91b], the travel-times to the closest and most distant points for a surface focus are 433.6 s and 478.6 s, respectively. Therefore, when processing this target region, the largest signal amplitude within this travel-time interval must be considered.

Similarly, variations in azimuth, slowness, and magnitude correction values within each target region must be taken into account in the processing (for more details see [Kvæ94]).



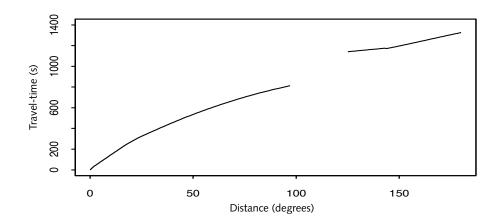


FIGURE 6. MAGNITUDE CALIBRATION FUNCTION AND
TRAVEL-TIME CURVE FOR EVENTS AT ZERO DEPTH

## **Setting Station-specific Parameters**

Traditionally, A/T is used as a representation of the signal power in estimating event magnitudes [see equation (1)]. The amplitude A is given in nanometers and the period T is given in seconds. Assuming that the instrument response is flat to velocity, the STA can be used to approximate the signal power via equation (7):

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$$\frac{A}{T} \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \text{calib} \cdot \text{STA} \tag{7}$$

where *calib* is the system calibration constant at the reference period (usually 1 second).

In TM, the STA for arrays is measured on beams filtered with a passband suitable for estimating the event magnitude. For three-component (3-C) stations, the filtered vertical-component channel is used.

To obtain close-to-optimum processing parameters for each station, a set of 20 to 60 representative events located at different distances are typically analyzed (for details on the tuning procedure see [IDC6.5.14] and [Kvæ96]).

The following uncertainty factors are addressed in the remaining sections:

- use of STA envelopes as a representation of A/T
- effect of beamforming, filtering, and different instrument responses on the seismic amplitude
- effect of target points representing a finite geographical area and missteering of array beams

### **Prefilter Cutoffs**

One product of TM is a map of magnitude threshold contours that show the magnitude above which events are likely to be detected. In the operations of the IDC the detection and magnitude processes use different frequency bands. The detection process is tuned to the station's characteristics (such as local noise conditions), the broadband characteristics of the seismometer, and optimal snr frequency bands. The magnitudes are calculated using a third-order Butterworth filter with a passband between 0.8 and 4.5 Hz. However, for threshold monitoring one set of prefilter cutoffs is used. These cutoffs are tuned primarily for detection. When estimating magnitude for TM, a correction is applied to the A/T estimate (see "STA Envelopes for A/T" on page 19).

Prefilter cutoffs for threshold monitoring are derived from tuning events. Low signal amplitudes during noisy conditions are used to achieve a balance between the best frequency band for high snr and the snr in the frequency band used for routine magnitude estimation. For example, ARCES is characterized by strong low-frequency noise and rather high dominant signal frequencies; a prefilter between 1.5 and 6.0 Hz is used for teleseismic monitoring above 15 degrees distance. For distances within 15 degrees a prefilter between 2.5 and 8.0 Hz is used.

#### STA Envelopes for A/T

For routine magnitude estimation at the IDC, a third-order Butterworth filter with a passband between 0.8 and 4.5 Hz is applied to the data prior to estimating signal amplitude and period. To resemble the procedure used for m<sub>b</sub> calculation at the IDC, it would be ideal to apply the same filter to the data prior to generating STA envelopes. But, the prefilters used for monitoring are often different from 0.8–4.5 Hz, and some stations have system responses that are not flat to velocity in the passband. A correction to equation (7) must be introduced to use the STA when calculating the threshold parameter a<sub>ij</sub>(t) in equation (2). An average correction factor is calculated by comparing manually measured A/T values (0.8–4.5 Hz) of tuning event P-phases with STA values measured after prefiltering with the derived cutoffs. The correction (*corr*) is applied to the A/T estimation as shown in equation (8).

$$\frac{A}{T} \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \text{calib} \cdot \text{STA} \cdot \text{corr}$$
 (8)

These station- and distance-specific correction factors are then used when calculating the threshold parameter for each station [see equation (2)].

#### **Beamforming Signal Loss**

For large arrays beamforming can significantly reduce the signal amplitudes, in particular for high-frequency signals. To use the measured STA signal power in a consistent way when calculating  $a_{ii}(t)$  of each station, it is necessary to compensate

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for the expected signal loss by beamforming. The expected signal loss for a station is defined as the average signal loss for the tuning events, calculated after prefiltering. The signal loss for a single event is given by equation (9):

where the STA used is the maximum STA in the 8 seconds after the signal onset.

As an example, regional events recorded at the ARCES array have an average signal loss of 1.5 dB after prefiltering in the frequency band 2.5–8.0 Hz.

## Mis-steering Signal Loss and Beam Deployment

When deploying a beam set for processing array data, the signal loss due to missteering of the beams is required to be less than a given value (for example, 3 dB). If the approximate value of the slowness mis-steering (s/km) corresponding to the 3 dB signal loss is known, the steering parameters (azimuth and slowness) of the necessary beam deployment can be derived.

Information on signal loss as a function of beam mis-steering is also needed when processing a given target region (see "Calculating Detection Capability Traces for Global Grid Systems" on page 13).

Average beam loss curves of the tuning events for each array are derived by calculating the signal loss for a set of different mis-steering vectors. An example of such a curve is shown in Figure 7, where events within a distance of 15 degrees of ILAR have been analyzed. In this distance range the prefilter passband 1.25-4.5 Hz is used. The average signal loss is 1.8 dB for no mis-steering, and the average 3 dB level corresponds to a mis-steering of 0.025 s/km. The light lines surrounding the dark average signal loss curve are estimates of 1  $\sigma$ .

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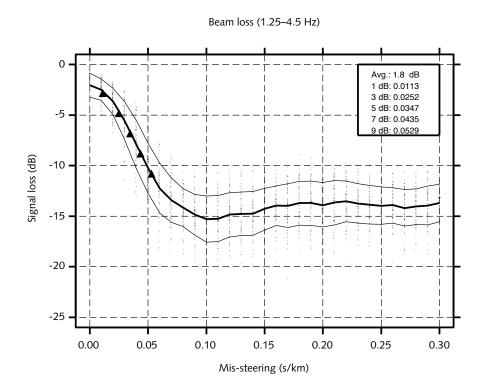


FIGURE 7. ILAR REGIONAL EVENT SIGNAL LOSS

## **DESIGN DECISIONS**

The following design decisions pertain to TM.

## **Programming Language**

The TM programs written in the C programming language include: CreateTMSession, AddTMStation, DeleteTMStation, LoopCopy, rdf2cdf, TMthreshold, and TMmap. The last three programs include FORTRAN (Formula Translation/Translator) subroutines in the program directories. tm\_stast, tm\_beambasic, and tm\_globrec are entirely FORTRAN subroutines.

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The libraries: *ctms*, *gmt*, and *netcdf* are written in C; all other libraries are written in FORTRAN, except for a few scattered C routines that are in the *tmcf*, *ngbase*, and *ngut* libraries.

All scripts (makecdf.2562, TMprod, tmstatus, detplot, TMpostreb, TMbulletin, replotuptime, loopuptime, and CopyPSFile) are Bourne shell scripts.

#### Global Libraries

The software of TM is linked to the *par* shared library. The software is also linked to the following COTS libraries: *M77*, *F77*, and *sunmath*.

## Filesystem

TM uses the filesystem to store input parameters, intermediate files (such as disk loops), and results. The exact locations of these files are set as inputs to the programs (see [IDC6.5.14] for an example configuration).

#### Web

TM software does not include links to the web; however, the results of TM may be made available for viewing on the web.

#### Design Model

The design of TM is primarily influenced by reliability, consistency, and timeliness requirements. Reliability and consistency of the results are critical requirements.

The detection thresholds produced by TM processing must be consistent with the Reviewed Event Bulletin (REB). This consistency requirement is addressed through careful calibration of the input parameters to match the IDC bulletin processing parameters (especially the magnitude calculations).

To be reliable, TM must be both internally robust and able to interact with other IDC processes. Although the TM software rarely crashes, it does depend on other processes for its results (for example, the Detection and Feature Extraction soft-

ware [DFX]). The Distributed Application Control System (DACS), which controls most IDC processing, is also used to control TM processing. Using the DACS ensures that TM is not affected by the failure of any other process.

Although TM must deliver results in a timely manner, a limited delay is acceptable to allow for late data and completion of the REB. The DACS and *rebdone* script are used to control TM processing so that TM processing is coordinated with the availability of continuous seismic data, the Standard Event List 3 (SEL3) automated bulletin processing pipeline, and the completion of the REB.

#### **Database Schema Overview**

The TM software uses tables in the ORACLE database to extract bulletin information and to describe and announce the availability of TM products.

Table 1 shows the database tables used by TM. The Name field identifies the database table. The Mode column is "R" if TM reads from the table and "W" if the system writes to the table. The Owner column indicates who has administrative control over the table. The "DBA" (database administrator) owns standard tables that are part of the core schema, and the "SS" owner indicates that the Subscription Subsystem owns the table.

TABLE 1: DATABASE TABLES USED BY TM

Name	Mode	Description
fileproduct	R/W	files containing individual products available for distribution
fpdescription	R	general description of the product types available as files
gregion	R	defines geographic regions
interval	R/W	defines units of processing
origerr	R	includes origin error information
origin	R	includes event origin information

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The **interval** table is used by the Detection and Feature Extraction software (*DFX*) when producing STA traces from the continuous seismic data. The bulletin information that is presented in the uptime product is obtained from the **gregion**, **origin**, and **origerr** tables. The **fpdescription** table must contain the descriptions of the TM file products (uptime, status, and detection) as shown in Table 2. As products are produced by the TM software the individual results are entered into the **fileproduct** database table.

TABLE 2: TM FPDESCRIPTION ROWS

typeid	prodtype	name	msgd type	msgd format	header _fpid	Iddate
1	tm_uptime	Data Availability	bin	ps	-1	dd- MMM-yy
2	tm_status	Station Noise Levels	bin	ps	-1	dd- MMM-yy
3	tm_detection	Detection Capability	bin	ps	-1	dd- MMM-yy

Detailed descriptions of the database tables and the accounts to which they belong are provided in [IDC5.1.1Rev2] and [IDC5.1.3Rev0.1].

#### **FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION**

The primary functions of the TM software are to create or alter an environment for TM processing and to process the data as they arrive to obtain estimates of the network detection threshold (Figure 8). These primary functions are accomplished through a number of lower-level functions that are described in the sections that follow.

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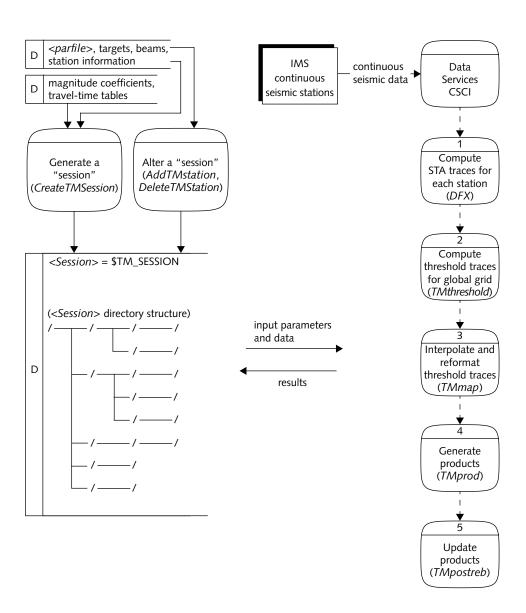


FIGURE 8. TM FUNCTIONS

## **Creating Processing Sessions**

The directory structure and most of the files required to run TM are created by *CreateTMSession*. *DFX* must have write privileges in *<Session>* for TM to work.

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## **Altering Processing Sessions**

A session may be altered by adding or deleting stations using *AddTMStation* or *DeleteTMStation*, respectively. Both of these programs alter only the contents of *<Session>*. Other files must be edited manually.

## Generating STA Traces for Each Station

STA traces for each station are generated by *DFX* (process 1 in Figure 8). *DFX* is part of the Station Processing CSC of the Automatic Processing CSCI. Continuous seismic data from the Continuous Data Subsystem ([IDC6.5.18] and [IDC7.4.1]) are processed to generate STA traces in \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/. [IDC6.5.14] describes how *DFX* is configured for TM.

## Generating Threshold Traces for Global Grid

TMthreshold (process 2 in Figure 8) reads the STA traces generated for TM by DFX. These are processed according to the recipes found in \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/TM\_recipes/. The files are written to disk loops (one for each of 2,562 targets) in \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/<tmtype>/Data/.

# Interpolating and Reformatting Threshold Traces for Global Grid

TMmap (process 3 in Figure 8) reads the target disk loops (\$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/<tmtype>/Data/<target>) and generates an American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) file that can be read by GMT. It executes makecdf.2562, which then runs the GMT routine surface; the results of this are then written back to a disk loop (\$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/<tmtype>/RDF/grid.rdf).

### **Generating Products**

The Bourne shell script *TMprod* (process 4 in Figure 8) calls three scripts to generate products. The script *tmstatus* generates status plots using *tm\_stast* to read the STA data and GMT routines to generate the plots. The script *plotuptime* generates a map showing the stations and their percent of uptime using GMT routines to make the maps. The script *detplot* reads the Regional Data Format (RDF) disk loop (\$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/Network/RDF/grid.rdf) with *rdf2cdf* and generates the global threshold maps with GMT routines. Information is inserted into the **fileproduct** database table by all three scripts: *tmstatus*, *plotuptime*, and *detplot*.

## Updating Products with Event Information

TMpostreb (process 5 in Figure 8) reads REB information (with script TMbulletin) from the gregion, origin, and origerr database tables and writes an ASCII file in \$TM\_SESSION/Bulletin/TMbulletin.IDCREB. plotuptime is then called to read the ASCII file, regenerate the uptime plot adding event origin information, and insert product information into the fileproduct database table.

Table 3 lists the products and availability times for the TM software. All TM products are available about 11 hours behind real time, but the uptime plot will not have event information included until the REB has been completed. Table 4 defines terms relating to standard products.

TABLE 3: STANDARD PRODUCTS AVAILABLE THROUGH TM

Product	Availability
status	hourly, 11 hours behind real time
uptime	hourly, 11 hours behind real time (event information is added after the REB is completed)
detplot	hourly, 11 hours behind real time

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TABLE 4: TERMS RELATING TO STANDARD PRODUCTS

Name	Description
bulletin	A chronological listing of event origins spanning an interval of time. Often, the specification of each origin, or event, is accompanied by the event's arrivals, and sometimes with the event's waveforms.
detplot	A TM product that shows a map of the average and worst case probability of detection for the primary seismic network of the IMS over the one-hour interval covered by the plot.
event list	A chronological listing of event origins spanning an interval of time. Unlike a bulletin, an event list is not reviewed by analysts; it is produced automatically.
status	A TM product that includes a plot of the short-term average traces for each primary seismic station for the one-hour interval covered by the plot.
uptime	A TM product that shows a global map of the primary seismic stations, color-coded by the percentage of time for which data are available from each station, for the one-hour interval covered by the plot. REB events that occurred in the one-hour interval are added to the plot after the REB is produced.

## INTERFACE DESIGN

This section describes TM's interfaces with other IDC systems, external users, and operators.

## Interface with Other IDC Systems

TM relies on the Continuous Data Subsystem in the Data Services CSCI to provide data from the primary seismic stations of the IMS. These data are processed to form STA traces using the Station Processing CSC of the Automatic Processing CSCI. The Distributed Processing CSCI is used to control TM processing as part of the SEL3 pipeline. Because *TMpostreb* depends on the REB, the Interactive Processing CSCI influences TM processing. The products of TM processing are made available to the Data Services CSCI for distribution through database entries in the **fpdescription** database table.

## Interface with External Users

The products of TM are available to external users through the Data Services CSCI. The specific mechanisms might include: *AutoDRM*, subscription, or the website.

## Interface with Operators

Normally, TM is invoked by the station processing pipeline, the SEL3 pipeline, and the *rebdone* script. Pipelines are controlled by the DACS, and the *rebdone* script is initiated manually when the bulletin review has been completed. The performance of the TM software is monitored through log files. Error messages, their meaning, and the appropriate actions to take are included in the user manual [IDC6.5.14].

# Chapter 3: Detailed Design

This chapter describes the detailed design of TM and includes the following topics:

- Data Flow Model
- Processing Units
- Database Description

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#### **DATA FLOW MODEL**

Data for TM calculations are the continuous seismic data from the stations of the primary seismic network, which are recorded on disk loops (D in Figure 9) by the Data Services CSCI. The seismic data for each station are checked for quality, beamformed (arrays only), bandpass filtered, and short-term averaged using *DFX* ([Wah96]). The *DFX* program is run in the station processing pipeline, processing 10 minute data segments as soon as complete segments are recorded and available at the IDC. The continuous STA data are then stored on new disk loops with a typical sampling interval of one second. Data gaps and processing gaps are identified by NULL values in the disk loops.

Network detection thresholds are calculated by *TMthreshold* (process 1 in Figure 9). This program reads the STA disk loops for each of the primary seismic stations, calculates the 90 percent detection thresholds for each of 2,562 globally distributed target areas at 10-second intervals, and stores the results on disk loops. *TMthreshold* is run in the SEL3 pipeline, which initiates processing of 20-minute segments with a time delay of 10 hours behind real time.

To facilitate map visualization of the results, the threshold traces for each time sample are interpolated, reformatted, and written to a new disk loop using a program called *TMmap* (process 2 in Figure 9). *TMmap* is run in the SEL3 pipeline after *TMthreshold* has completed the detection threshold calculations for the given time segment.

STA trace and network detection threshold calculations are followed by the calculation of three sets of hourly results from TM. These results are calculated by a Bourne shell script called *TMprod* (process 3 in Figure 9), which is run in the SEL3 pipeline.

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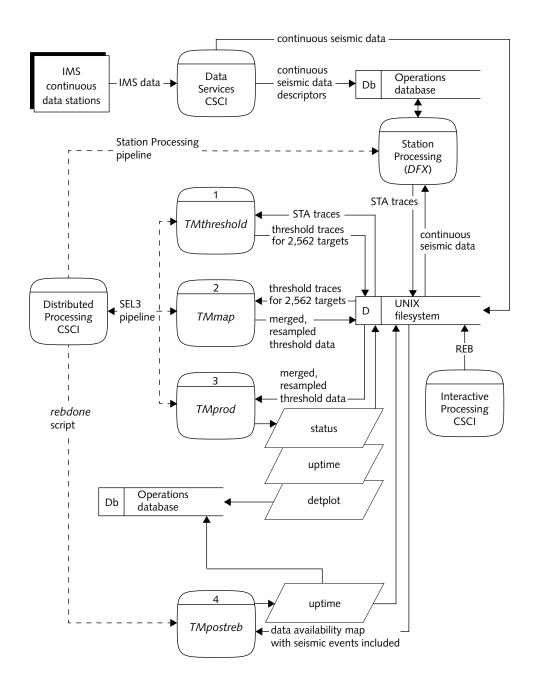


FIGURE 9. TM DATA FLOW MODEL

When the REB is complete for a given day, data availability maps are recreated to include the REB event information. This is done with a Bourne shell script called *TMpostreb* (process 4 in Figure 9), which is invoked in the *rebdone* script.

#### PROCESSING UNITS

TM consists of the following processing units:

- CreateTMSession
- AddTMStation
- DeleteTMStation
- TMthreshold
- TMmap
- TMprod
- TMpostreb
- LoopCopy

The following paragraphs describe the design of these units, including any constraints or unusual features in the design. The logic of the software and any applicable procedural commands are also provided.

#### CreateTMSession

The directory structure and most of the files required to run TM are created by *CreateTMSession*.

#### Input

CreateTMSession has a number of arguments. Although it is possible to enter every argument on the command line, it is most convenient to use a parameter file. The par file may contain the parameters shown in Table 5. Parameters in parameter files may be overridden by placing them after the par=par=parfile> specification on

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the command line. The same format is used for the par file and the command line. The search order is from left to right on the command line, with precedence given to parameters found later if there are multiple specifications.

TABLE 5: CREATETMSESSION PARAMETERS

Parameter	Default	Description
session_directory	none (required)	fully qualified path of session directory Session to be created (normally \$TM_SESSION for pipeline processing)
tmtype	Network	currently, <i>tmtype</i> should always be Network
phases	PTM	comma-separated list of phases to process (for example, phase1, phase2,, phasen)
stlist	none (required)	comma-separated list of stations to use (for example, stn1,stn2,, stnn)
staticdir	\$TM_HOME/data	fully qualified path of static data directory staticdir
ntargets	2562	number of targets to use (considered a string by the program and used to determine which targets file to copy)
staloop	none (required)	duration (s) of the STA disk loops (for example, TM001)
stasamp	1.0	time (s) between the centers of successive STA windows
stalen	1.0	length of time (s) of the STA window
stanullval	-2.0	value to be used in STA data files where there are no data
tmloop	none (required)	length of time (s) of the TM disk loops (for example, Target_1001)
tmsamp	10.0	length of time (s) between the centers of successive TM windows
tmlen	1.0	length of time (s) of the TM window
tmnullval	-2.0	value to be used in TM data files where there are no data

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TABLE 5: CREATETMSESSION PARAMETERS (CONTINUED)

Parameter	Default	Description
nxgrid	91	size (pixels) of the grid.rdf file (x axis)
nygrid	46	size (pixels) of the grid.rdf file (y axis)
magstdev	0.38	standard deviation assumed for the P magnitude estimates
magconf	0.90	confidence level of upper magnitudes limits
search1	6.0	length of time (s) of search interval after pre- dicted P wave onset
search2	3.0	additional search interval (s) due to travel- time uncertainties

The *staticdir* parameter is used to access several files that are used by *CreateTMSession*. These files include:

staticdir/Targets/targets.2562
staticdir/Beamset/\*
staticdir/libdata/TM.site
staticdir/libdata/magtabl/tab.PTM
staticdir/libdata/trtabl/tab.PTM

The file staticdir/Targets/targets.n, where n is the number of targets, is an ASCII file containing a table of the parameters listed in Table 6.

TABLE 6: TARGETS.N PARAMETERS

Column and Parameter	Description
1 name	target name (Target_seqnum, for example, Target_1001)
2 lat	latitude (deg., for example, 26.72)
3 Ion	longitude (deg., for example, -162.00)

TABLE 6: TARGETS.N PARAMETERS (CONTINUED)

Column and Parameter	Description
4 depth	depth (km, for example, 0.00)
5 radius	radius of the target region (deg., for example, 2.74)
6 seqnum	sequence number (beginning with 1001)

A subdirectory for each station in the network is contained in *staticdir*/Beamset/. Each subdirectory contains a file with beam information (beambasic) and one or more files with steering parameters relevant to the station. The beambasic file has one heading row and one row for each beam. The parameters in beambasic (presented as columns of a table with a header) are described in Table 7.

TABLE 7: BEAMBASIC PARAMETERS

Column and Parameter	Description
1 Name	name of current beam (for example, TM001)
2 Туре	either "B" (beam) or "S" (single channel)
3 Azi	azimuth for this beam (deg.)
4 Slow	slowness for this beam (s/km)
5 STAstp	STA sampling rate (sample/s)
6 STAlen	length of STA window (s)
7 Dlow	closest distance from station for this beam (deg.)
8 Dhig	farthest distance from station for this beam (deg.)
9 DFXbeam	actual beam (written by DFX), which may differ from Name
10 Steerpar	file containing steering parameters for this beam
11 Ref	name of reference station (usually the current station)
12 Freq1	low end of filter bandpass (Hz)
13 Freq2	high end of filter bandpass (Hz)

Files listed in column 10 of beambasic have names with the form:

missteer.Dlow-Dhig

where *Dlow* and *Dhig* are found in columns seven and eight of beambasic. Table 8 describes the contents of the missteer. *Dlow-Dhig* files. Single channel beams cannot include mis-steering or signal loss.

TABLE 8: MISSTEER. DLOW-DHIG PARAMETERS

Parameter	Description
A/Tcomp	average difference between log(A/T) between 0.8 and 4.5 Hz and log( $(\pi/2)$ ·STA·calib) in three different frequency bands for events more than 15 deg. from the station
sloss	average reduction of signal amplitude after beamforming due to signal decorrelation (dB)
detailed signal	column 1: beam mis-steering (s/km)
loss	column 2: signal loss (dB)

The *staticdir*/libdata/ directory includes TM.site, which is a dump of the IDC **site** database table. TM.site contains coordinate information for the network and is a read-only ASCII file with one row per site (Table 9).

TABLE 9: TM.SITE PARAMETERS

Column and Parameter	Description
1 sta	station identifier
2 ondate	Julian start date
3 offdate	Julian off date
4 lat	latitude (deg.)
5 Ion	longitude (deg.)
6 elev	elevation (km)
7 staname	station description

TABLE 9: TM.SITE PARAMETERS (CONTINUED)

Column and Parameter	Description	
8 statype	station type: ss = single station, ar = array	
9 refsta	reference station for array members	
10 dnorth	offset from array reference (km)	
11 deast	offset from array reference (km)	
12 Iddate	load date	

Attenuation curves are tabulated in the ASCII file tab.PTM, which is located in the magtabl subdirectory of *staticdir*/libdata/. An ASCII travel-time table, also called tab.PTM, is found in the trtabl subdirectory of *staticdir*/libdata/. PTM is the only phase for which attenuation curves and travel-time tables are included in *staticdir*/. Table 10 describes the parameters of the tab.PTM files.

TABLE 10: TAB.PTM PARAMETERS

Parameter	Description
filename	table to use for teleseismic P waves (n for N/A)
ndepth	number of depth samples
depths	blank separated depths (km)
ndist	number of distance sample
distances	blank separated distances (deg.)
data(depth[1],distance[i])	Q or travel-time/amplitude for depth 1, one row per distance
data(depth[ndepth],distance[i])	Q or travel-time/amplitude for depth <i>ndepth</i> , one row per distance

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#### Output

*CreateTMSession* generates a directory structure for threshold monitoring processing. Figure 10 shows the directory structure, *Session*. The following paragraphs describe the structure.

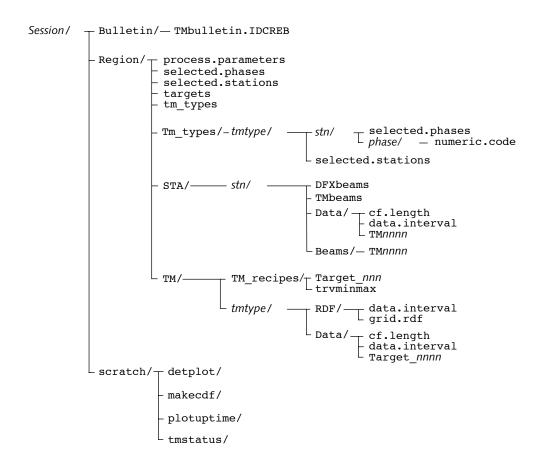


FIGURE 10. SESSION DIRECTORY STRUCTURE

The reviewed IDC bulletin for the two weeks preceding the run time is located in Bulletin/ (set in *TMpostreb*). *TMbulletin* creates the bulletin in a temporary file and then moves the temporary file to Bulletin/ overwriting the old file. The name of this file is TMbulletin.IDCREB (also set in *TMpostreb*). Seismic events in this bulletin are plotted on the station availability map.

The scripts *makecdf.2562*, *tmstatus*, *plotuptime*, and *detplot* write temporary files in the corresponding subdirectories in scratch/.

Five ASCII files in Region/ contain information pertinent to the processing session. The first file, process.parameters, contains the parameters magstdev, magconf, search1, search2, tmsamp, tmlen, stasamp, and stalen written in free format (see Table 5 on page 35 for a description of these parameters). The file targets is a copy of the appropriate target list described in Table 6 on page 36.

The remaining three files are in a two-column format with a name in the first column and an index number (line number) in the second column:

selected.stations lists the stations of interest (for example, ABKT,

ARCES, and so on)

selected.phases lists the phases of interest (for example, PTM)

tm\_types lists the "tmtypes" of interest (currently only

Network)

The Region/STA/ directory includes a *stn* subdirectory for each station of interest (for example, ARCES), each having two subdirectories (Beams/ and Data/). Each *stn*/ directory also includes two ASCII files: TMbeams and DFXbeams. DFXbeams contains the list of STA beams written by the *DFX* program. TMbeams contains the list of TM beam definitions, which (for arrays) includes mis-steering parameters.

Names of beams (and corresponding files in *stn*/Beams/ and *stn*/Data/) follow the format:

TMnnn

where *nnn* is a three digit sequence number, with leading zeroes if needed (for example, 001).

The STA traces for each station are written in disk loops found in *stn*/Data/. The lengths of these files (in seconds) are found in *stn*/Data/cf.length. The starting and ending times (in format YYYY-DDD:HH.MM.SS.sss) are found in *stn*/Data/data.interval.

The ASCII processing recipes included in the files listed in TMbeams are found in stn/Beams/ and contain the parameters listed in Table 11.

TABLE 11: BEAMS/TMNNN PARAMETERS

Line	Column	Description	
1	1	beam type (B for beam, S for single)	
	2	azimuth of beam (deg.)	
	3	slowness of beam (s/km)	
2	1	STA file from <i>DFX</i> to be used for this beam (for example, TM001)	
	2	reference channel for beam from site table (for example, ARCES)	
3	1	step size between centers of successive STA windows (s)	
	2	duration of STA window (s)	
4	1	lower limit for distances covered by this beam (deg.)	
	2	higher limit for distances covered by this beam (deg.)	
5	1	magnitude bias due to filtering and STA calculation (m <sub>b</sub> units)	
	2	assumed signal loss (dB) at correct steering	
6-N	1	beam mis-steering slowness (s/km) for signal loss	
	2	signal loss (dB) at the beam mis-steering slowness given in column 1	

Region/Tm\_types/ includes subdirectories for each "tmtype" (currently, Network is the only *tmtype*), each having a full complement of *stn*/ subdirectories. Each of the *stn*/ subdirectories has one *phase*/ subdirectory for each phase of interest (for example, PTM). *tmtype*/ contains a copy of the selected.stations

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file, and each *tmtype/stn/* directory contains a copy of selected.phases. Every *tmtype/stn/phase/* directory contains a numeric.code file that contains a code calculated using the index numbers of the current station and phase (from selected.stations and selected.phases) as follows:

This value is always a three-digit number with a leading zero if necessary.

Region/TM/TM\_recipes/ contains an ASCII file for each target named Target\_nnnn, where the sequence numbers (nnnn) begin with 1001. Table 12 shows the format of the Target\_nnnn files.

TABLE 12: TM\_RECIPES/TARGET\_NNNN PARAMETERS

Line	Column	Description		
1	1	sequence number (for example, 1001)		
	2	target name (for example, Target_1001)		
	3	latitude (deg.) of the target		
	4	longitude (deg.) of the target		
	5	depth (km, usually 0) of the target		
	6	radius of the target region (deg.)		
2 <sup>1</sup>	1	numeric code (from the numeric.code file, for example, 011 for station 1 and phase 1)		
	2	fully specified directory of STA trace (for example, <session>/Region/STA/stn/Data)</session>		
	3	name of the data file for the beam (for example, TM001)		
	4	station (for example, NORES)		
	5	phase (for example, PTM)		
	6	distance from region to center of station (deg.)		

TABLE 12: TM\_RECIPES/TARGET\_NNNN PARAMETERS (CONTINUED)

Line	Column	Description		
3 <sup>1</sup>	1	travel-time (s) between station and center of target region for phase		
	2	travel-time tolerance (s), lower limit		
	3	travel-time tolerance (s), higher limit		
	4	TMlen (length of TM window, s)		
	5	amplitude correction factor (added to log A/T to estimate magnitude)		
	6	assumed standard deviation of magnitude estimate		
2N+2 1 index number		index number		
	2	tmtype (from Region/tm_types)		
2N+3 through 2N+3+M	1	numeric codes		
2N+M+4	2N+M+4 1 output directory			
	2	output file		

<sup>1.</sup> Lines 2 and 3 are repeated for each of the *N* STA traces to be used for the target. Station lines may be repeated if a target references several beams; the largest of the amplitudes from the beams is used for the target.

Along with the 2,562 Target\_nnnn files, trvminmax is an ASCII table of travel-time intervals for each station. Table 13 shows the columns of the file. The travel times are adjusted for the radius of the target region (this adjustment can result in a negative number of seconds).

TABLE 13: TM\_RECIPES/TRVMINMAX PARAMETERS

Column	Description	
1	station name	
2	station index number (as it would appear in the file selected.stations)	
3	minimum travel time (s)	
4	maximum travel time (s)	

Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/ contains grid.rdf, a binary file that is a disk loop for storing the TM maps. The start and end times (YYYY-DDD:HH.MM.SS.sss) relevant to this file are listed in data.interval (in the same directory).

Detection thresholds for each target are stored in the disk loops named Target\_nnnn. The lengths of these files are stored in cf.length, and the relevant start and end times are found in data.interval (with format YYYY-DDD:HH.MM.SS.sss). These two files are found in tmtype/Data/, along with the Target nnnn files.

#### Control

*CreateTMSession* is run by the operator from a control line. Execution terminates if an error is detected or when the session has been created.

## **Error States**

CreateTMSession has optional "verbose" modes that cause informative messages to be printed out as the program runs. For example, using the verbose option will display the name of each file and directory created, except for the disk loops. Also, there are a few messages from some of the FORTRAN programs and subroutines, which are called by CreateTMSession. Using verbose=2 makes it possible to print

more information, including the name of each disk loop file created (there may be thousands). Additional information from the FORTRAN programs (which is primarily useful for debugging) may be printed out with higher levels of verbosity.

Specific error messages from CreateTMSession are listed in [IDC6.5.14].

#### AddTMStation

AddTMStation adds new stations to the TM processing environment.

## Input/Processing/Output

AddTMStation uses a subset of the parameters used for CreateTMSession. Although it is possible to enter every parameter on the command line, it is most convenient to use the parameter file for CreateTMSession. The par file may contain all of the parameters shown in Table 5 on page 35. AddTMStation requires the session\_directory, stlist, and staloop parameters. The stlist parameter gives the list of stations to be added to the processing session. If the stlist parameter is entered on the command line after par=<parfile>, it need not be changed in the parameter file. AddTMStation also uses staticdir, stasamp, and stalen but the defaults shown in Table 5 are assumed if they are not given.

AddTMStation compares the list of new stations to the list of existing stations found in selected.stations, and will only add those that are not duplicates.

The output of the *AddTMStation* process is an altered version of the directory structure, *Session*, shown in Figure 10 on page 40 and described in the text following the figure.

#### Control

AddTMStation is run by the operator from the control line. Execution terminates if an error is detected or when the Session directory structure has been altered.

#### **Error States**

AddTMStation has the same (optional) verbosity parameter as *CreateTMSession*. Specific error messages from AddTMStation are listed in [IDC6.5.14].

#### **DeleteTMStation**

DeleteTMStation removes stations from the TM processing environment.

#### Input/Processing/Output

DeleteTMStation uses the same parameters used for CreateTMSession. Although it is possible to enter every parameter on the command line, it is most convenient to use the parameter file for CreateTMSession. The par file may contain all of the parameters shown in Table 5 on page 35. The stlist parameter gives the list of stations to be removed from the processing session. If the stlist parameter is entered on the command line after par=<parfile>, it need not be changed in the parameter file.

DeleteTMStation compares the new station list specified by the *stlist* parameter to the old station list in selected.stations and only attempts to remove those stations that appear in both lists. The entire <Session>/Region/Tm\_types/ directory structure and selected.stations shown in Figure 10 on page 40 are rewritten, and the TM processing recipes in <Session>/Region/<tmtype>/TM recipes are recalculated.

#### Control

*DeleteTMStation* is run by the operator from the control line. Execution terminates if an error is detected or when the *Session* directory structure has been altered.

#### **Error States**

DeleteTMStation has the same (optional) verbosity parameter as *CreateTMSession*. Specific error messages from *DeleteTMStation* are listed in [IDC6.5.14].

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#### **TMthreshold**

TMthreshold calculates the 90 percent detection thresholds for each of 2,562 globally distributed target areas. A system-wide C front end was added to this program so it could use the *getpar/mstpar* routines; the remainder of the software is written in FORTRAN except for a very few low-level C routines in the *tmcf* library.

## Input/Processing/Output

Although it is possible to enter every argument on the command line, it is most convenient to use a parameter file. The par file may contain the parameters shown in Table 14. Parameters in parameter files may be overridden by placing them after the par=<parkile> specification on the command line. The same format is used for the par file and the command line. The search order is from left to right on the command line, with precedence given to parameters found later if there are multiple specifications.

TABLE 14: TMTHRESHOLD PARAMETERS

Parameter	Default	Description
session_directory	none (required)	location of the TM processing environment
t1	none (required)	start time of the processing segment
t2	none (required)	end time of the processing segment
verbose	none (optional)	if present, diagnostics will be printed on stdout

TABLE 14: TMTHRESHOLD PARAMETERS (CONTINUED)

Parameter	Default	Description
method	none (required)	processing method, either detection (calculate 90 percent detection threshold) or upplim (calculate 90 percent upper magnitude limit for non-detected events)
ndetsta	3	number of stations required for event detection (used only if method=detection)
detsnr	4.0	snr required for phase detection for all stations (used only if <i>method</i> =detection)

The detailed processing flow for *TMthreshold* and its main subroutine *regproc* is described in the following paragraphs:

- 1. Subroutine *rdtarsstm* is called to read the following files:
  - \$TM SESSION/Region/selected.stations (list of stations)
  - \$TM SESSION/Region/selected.phases (list of phases)
  - \$TM\_SESSION/Region/tm\_types (list of TM types)
- 2. The lists of stations and phases contained in these files are compared to those in the following directories:
  - \$TM\_SESSION/Region/Tm\_types/tmtype/selected.stations
  - \$TM\_SESSION/Region/Tm\_types/tmtype/stn/
    selected.phases
- 3. \$TM\_SESSION/Region/Tm\_types/tmtype/stn/phase/numeric.code is read.
- 4. The target coordinates are read into a common block from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/targets.
- 5. regproc calls gmtwrite to write the current time to \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/GMT.last indicating that TMthreshold is running.
- 6. regproc calls rdprcrec to read the processing parameters from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/process.parameters.

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- 7. regproc calls rdtmrec to read both the target recipe information from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/TM\_recipes/compact (if it exists) and the minimum and maximum travel-times from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/TM\_recipes/trvminmax. If no compact file is present, then the target recipes are read from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/TM\_recipes/Target\_nnnn and a new compact file is written out.
- 8. The recipe information (travel-times, and so on) is stored in a common block.
- 9. regproc calls rddataint to read the start and stop times for the STA data currently found on the disk loops from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/

  stn/Data/data.interval.
- 10. The lengths of the disk loops are read from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/stn/Data/cf.length.
- 11. If any stations are to be masked, a file containing the station names, one per line, is read from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/TM\_recipes/stations.mask (if not found, no stations are masked).
- 12. The start and stop times for the target disk loops are read from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/data.interval, and the lengths of these disk loops are read from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/cf.length.
- 13. Extensive checks are performed on the time intervals, and a decision is made as to whether to process. If processing continues, *gmtwrite* is called again (as will be done repeatedly) to update the current time in \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/GMT.last.
- 14. regproc calls rprocess, which divides the data interval into chunks, and reads the STA data from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/stn/Data/TMnnn with tmstacfread (in the tmcf library).
- 15. For each data chunk that is processed:
  - Average amplitudes are found with getavgmean (method = detection) or getavgmax (other method).
  - Upper magnitude limits are calculated with *magclc*.

- tmcfwrite (in the tmcf library) writes data to the target disk loops
   \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/Target\_nnnn.
- dintwrite writes the new time interval for these target disk loops to \$TM SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/data.interval.
- 16. Finally, the current time -86400 seconds is written to \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/GMT.last to indicate that TMthreshold is finished.

#### Control

TMthreshold runs in the SEL3 pipeline; no databases, cron jobs, or triggers are used. Control during processing is coordinated using the GMT.last file. It terminates automatically when the data chunks have been written.

#### Interfaces

TMthreshold uses common blocks, including arrays containing the STA traces and the threshold traces, to store data internally. The ASCII file \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.xyz is written for use by GMT within makecdf.2562, and the GMT surface results are stored in \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.cdf. These results are later transferred to the RDF disk loop \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/grid.rdf.

#### **Error States**

Time intervals are checked extensively to avoid errors. Specific error messages from *TMthreshold* are listed in [IDC6.5.14].

## **TMmap**

*TMmap* uses the GMT routine *surface* to create maps of the TM results. *TMmap* has a C front end, which uses the *getpar/mstpar* routines; it is usual to use a parameter file to enter the parameters.

The main subroutine (*d2rproc*) and most of the other subroutines are written in FORTRAN.

## Input/Processing/Output

Although it is possible to enter every argument on the command line, it is most convenient to use a parameter file. The par file for *TMmap* may contain the parameters shown in Table 15. Parameters in parameter files may be overridden by placing them after the par=par=parfile> specification on the command line. The same format is used for the par file and the command line. The search order is from left to right on the command line, with precedence given to parameters found later if there are multiple specifications.

TABLE 15: TMMAP PARAMETERS

Parameter	Default	Description
session_directory	none (required)	location of the TM processing environment
t1	none (required)	start time of the processing segment
t2	none (required)	end time of the processing segment
tmtype	Network	name of station subset used for calculating detection thresholds (Network indicates that all stations are used in the processing)
scratchdir	session_directory/ scratch	name of temporary file storage directory
gmtscript	makecdf.2562	name of Bourne shell script doing the actual interpolation and reformatting of the data
verbose	none (optional)	if present, diagnostic information will be printed on stdout

TMmap expects the *tmtype* to be entered as a parameter, rather than reading the \$TM\_SESSION/Region/tm\_types file. The default is Network. Because Network is hard coded in some of the TM scripts, it is best not to attempt to use another *tm\_type*.

The detailed processing flow for *DeleteTMStation* is described in the following paragraphs. *DeleteTMStation* writes repeatedly to \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/GMT.last in the same way as *CreateTMSession* writes to its own GMT.last file.

- 1. The time interval for the target disk loops is read from \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/stn/Data/data.interval with subroutine dintread. There may be as many as three attempts to read this file, with 10 second "naps" between attempts. The same subroutine is used to read \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/stn/RDF/data.interval, which contains the time interval for the interpolated "surface" (RDF) disk loop. Only one attempt is made to read this file. (If the file is not found, then the data interval in the target disk loops is processed.) One attempt is then made to read \$TM\_SESSION/Region/targets.
- 2. The sampling interval is extracted from the header of the last target disk loop \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/Target\_2562 using tmcfavail (in the tmcf library).
- 3. A number of checks are performed on the time intervals, and a decision is made as to whether to continue or not. If continuing, the time interval is divided into chunks, and the data are read from each target disk loop:
  - \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/Data/Target\_nnnn
- 4. The following RDF files are opened:
  - \$TM SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/grid.rdf (disk loop)
  - \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.xyz (ASCII file)
- 5. A call is made to the script *makecdf.2562*, which executes the GMT routine *blockmedian*, writes the temporary file \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.xyz.blockmed, calls the GMT routine *surface*, and then removes the temporary file after *surface* has executed. The output file from *surface* (the last step in *makecdf.2562*) is \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.cdf.
- 6. Subroutine *readcdf* reads the grid.cdf file from *surface*.

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7. The Common Data Format (CDF) data are written to \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/grid.rdf after initializing the header (if necessary).

8. Finally, \$TM\_SESSION/Region/STA/stn/RDF/data.interval and \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/GMT.last are updated.

#### Control

TMmap runs in the SEL3 pipeline. No databases, cron jobs, or triggers are used. The Bourne shell script makecdf.2562 is executed within TMmap. TMmap uses GMT.last to coordinate processing in the same way as CreateTMSession uses its GMT.last file.

#### Interfaces

Common blocks are used internally to store data. An ASCII file (\$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.xyz) is written for use by GMT within makecdf.2562, and the GMT surface results are stored in \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/grid.cdf. These are later transferred to the RDF disk loop \$TM\_SESSION/Region/TM/tmtype/RDF/grid.rdf.

#### **Error States**

Extensive checks of the time intervals are made to avoid errors. Specific error messages from *TMmap* are listed in [IDC6.5.14].

## **TMprod**

TMprod is a Bourne shell script that generates three sets of plots showing the results of TM for one hour.

#### Input/Processing/Output

TMprod does not use the *getpar* command line parser, so the arguments to *TMprod* are regular arguments to a shell script and cannot contain a par file. The command line for *TMprod* follows:

TMprod <Session> <productdir> <t1> <t2> <database> <bullfile>

<Session> is the fully specified path for the TM processing environment (\$TM\_SESSION); results
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The detailed processing flow for *TMprod* is described as follows:

- 1. *TMprod* defines some environment variables from \$TM\_HOME and internal variables related to the time interval to be processed and files to be written.
- 2. *TMprod* executes the *tmstatus* script, which calls FORTRAN program *tm\_stast*. Subroutine *process\_data* reads \$TM\_HOME/data/par/tmstatus/tmstatus.dat. tmstatus.dat, which is not a standard par file such as one would expect for use with *getpar/mstpar*, but a table of parameters for each station to be included in the status plots. Table 16 describes the parameters.
- 3. Column 4 of the tmstatus.par file contains either a beam name (for single stations) or the name of a file containing a list of beam names (for arrays). The STA beams are read by *tmstacfread* (in the *tmcf* library):
  - \$TM SESSION/Region/STA/stn/Data/TMnnn
- 4. Results of TM processing are written to \$TM\_PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/status.ddd:hh.mm.data, where yyyy is the year, ddd is the day of year, hh is the hour, and mm the minute. This is an ASCII file containing a table of uptime percentages (number of good samples divided by

expected number of samples multiplied by 100) and average values of good output samples for each station. The plots themselves are written to \$TM PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/status.ddd:hh.mm.ps.

- 5. After *tm\_stast* is finished, *tmstatus* inserts a row in the **fileproduct** database table before returning to *TMthreshold*.
- 6. Next, TMprod executes the script plotuptime.
- 7. Using the GMT routines *psbasemap*, *pscoast*, and *psxy*, the *uptime* map is written to the following postscript file:
  - \$TM PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/uptime.ddd:hh.mm.ps
- 8. The status data from *tm\_stast*: \$TM\_PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/status.ddd:hh.mm.data are then merged with the following files:
  - \$TM HOME/data/par/uptime/cur pri.data
  - \$TM HOME/data/par/uptime/offset.data

*psxy* is used to plot the color-coded stations (triangles for single stations, circles for arrays) on the plot. Headings for an event bulletin are then written on the plot with *pstext*, but *TMprod* does not give *plotuptime* a bulletin file, so no bulletin information is printed.

- 9. Before ending, *plotuptime* inserts a row in the **fileproduct** database table and removes the .gmtcommands and .gmtdefaults files generated automatically by GMT.
- 10. The final script executed by *TMprod* is *detplot*, which calls the C program *rdf2cdf* twice. This uses the *getpar/mstpar* routines to read two color palette files, data.cpt.2 and data.cpt.3, kept in *staticdir/par/detplot/* (Table 17 shows formats for these files) and converts RDF disk loop data to CDF format. *detplot* reads the binary file \$TM SESSION/Region/TM/Network/RDF/grid.rdf.
- 11. The first time <code>rdf2cdf</code> is called, it writes <code>\$TM\_SESSION/scratch/detplot/mean.cdf</code>. The second time, it writes <code>\$TM\_SESSION/scratch/detplot/point-max.cdf</code>. These two files contain the average and worst-case threshold grids, respectively. The files are removed when <code>detplot</code> ends.

- 12. The GMT routines *pscoast*, *grdimage*, *grdcontour*, and *pstext* are used by *detplot* to write the following output postscript file, which contains the average and worst-case threshold maps:
  - \$TM\_PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/detplot.ddd:hh.mm.ps
- 13. Before ending, *detplot* inserts a row in the **fileproduct** database table and removes the .gmtcommands and .gmtdefaults files generated automatically by GMT.

TABLE 16: TMSTATUS.PAR PARAMETERS

Column and Parameter	Description
1 stn	The station name (for example, ARCES).
2 missteer	The station teleseismic P-wave magnitude correction due to beamforming signal loss and a log(STA) correction ( $sloss/20 + ATcomp$ ). These numbers are based on tuning studies. For example, 0.09 $m_b$ units must be added to log(STA) from ILAR to make it comparable with log (A/T). In addition, the expected signal loss from beamforming is 1.27 dB for teleseismic events. The total correction for ILAR is 0.16 $m_b$ units.
3 stntype	Provides information on the number of beams used to monitor the teleseismic distance regime. When a single beam is used (as for 3-C stations and small arrays where a single beam covers the teleseismic distances with less than 3 dB signal loss) stntype = single. For larger arrays, several beams are needed to monitor the teleseismic distance regime, and stntype = group.
4 beamfile	The name of the STA trace(s) to be used to represent the noise levels in the teleseismic distance regime. Related to the beam definitions of <i>DFX</i> . For 3-C stations and small arrays ( <i>stntype</i> = single), one STA trace calculated from the vertical-component is used. For larger arrays where several beams are used in the teleseismic regime ( <i>stntype</i> = group), <i>beamfile</i> is the name of the file containing the beam names. For example, ILAR traces contain STA beams TM017–TM035, and all 19 STA beams are analyzed to provide the noise levels for the status plots.
5 fband	The frequency band used to monitor the teleseismic distance regime (for plotting purposes only).

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TABLE 17: DATA.CPT PARAMETER FILES

Line	Description
1 contour interval 1	low contour value, RGB (Red, Green, Blue) values (0–255) of low contour, high contour value, RGB values (0–255) of high contour
2–n	red value of low contour (0–255)
n contour interval n	low contour value, RGB values (0–255) of low contour, high contour value, RGB values (0–255) of high contour
n+1 background color	"B" followed by RGB values (0–255) of background color
n+2 foreground color	"F" followed by RGB values (0-255) of foreground color

#### Control

*TMprod* runs when one hour's worth of data are processed in the SEL3 pipeline. It calls other scripts and programs and inserts rows in the **fileproduct** database table. Otherwise it requires no intervention.

## Interfaces

Some data are stored in common blocks when *tm\_stast* is executed. Whenever data must be transferred between C or FORTRAN programs and Bourne shell scripts, temporary files are written.

#### **Error States**

Extensive checks of the time intervals are made to avoid errors. Specific error messages from *TMprod* and the scripts and programs that it calls are listed in IIDC6.5.141.

## **TMpostreb**

*TMpostreb* is a Bourne shell script that reads the REB and then regenerates the "uptime" maps.

## Input/Processing/Output

*TMpostreb* does not use the *getpar* command line parser so the arguments to *TMpostreb* are regular arguments to a shell script and cannot contain a par file. Exactly four parameters must be entered on the command line:

TMpostreb <Session> <rebdb> <database>

<Session> is the fully specified path for the TM processing environment (\$TM\_SESSION); productdir> is the fully specified path for files containing hourly results (\$TM\_PRODDIR); rebdb> is the name of the database account containing REB information; and database> is the name of the database account containing the fileproduct table with the time for the latest REB entry.

The detailed processing flow for *TMpostreb* is described in the following paragraphs.

- 1. *TMpostreb* executes the *TMbulletin* script. The purpose of *TMbulletin* is to create event lines from CSS3.0 database tables. *TMbulletin* first checks for the existence of a temporary bulletin file (\$TM\_SESSION/Bulletin/TMbulletin.IDCREB.temp). If the file does not already exist, then REB information is read from the database using SQL commands and written to the temporary file. The bulletin covers the interval from *NOW reb\_length* to *NOW*, where *NOW* is the current UTC time from the system clock. The *reb\_length* (in seconds) is set in *TMpostreb* and is used in the command line when calling *TMbulletin* (*reb\_length*=1209699 is just over two weeks long).
- 2. *TMbulletin* checks the exit code for the database query. If the code is not zero *TMbulletin* deletes the temporary file and exits; otherwise, the temporary file is renamed \$TM\_SESSION/Bulletin/TMbulletin.IDCREB and *TMbulletin* exits. A trap ensures the temporary file is deleted if *TMbulletin* is interrupted.
- 3. *TMpostreb* checks the exit code and exits if it is nonzero; otherwise, it calls the script *replotuptime*.

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- 4. replotuptime checks for the existence of the log file \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/replog.last. If the file does not exist, the start time given to *TMpostreb* is used; otherwise, the start time is replaced by the time in the log file if the log file time is less than the given stop time. 1,800 seconds will be subtracted from the start time. replotuptime checks the exit code value and exits if it is nonzero; otherwise, it calls the script loopuptime.
- 5. *loopuptime* executes *plotuptime* (described under *TMpostreb*) for each hour in the specified time interval. *plotuptime* reads the following files:
  - \$TM\_PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/status.ddd:hh.mm.data
  - \$TM\_HOME/data/par/uptime/cur\_pri.data
  - \$TM\_HOME/data/par/uptime/offset.data
  - \$TM\_SESSION/Bulletin/TMbulletin.IDCREB

plotuptime writes the file:

- \$TM\_PRODDIR/yyyy/ddd/uptime.ddd:hh.mm.ps plotuptime also inserts a row in the fileproduct database table and removes the .gmtcommands and .gmtdefaults files generated automatically by GMT.
- 6. After *loopuptime* finishes, the exit status is checked again. Then, the last time is written to \$TM\_SESSION/scratch/replog.last.

#### Control

*TMpostreb* is started by the *rebdone* script. Rows are inserted into the **fileproduct** database table, and some temporary files are written. The exit status of the programs are used to control the behavior of the programs.

## Interfaces

*TMpostreb* uses SQL to read the REB; some temporary files are written.

#### **Error States**

The script does not generate many specific error messages of its own. If errors (from *tuxshell* for example) are found in the log files, the operator should check the input parameters, system variables, configuration, and disk space.

TMpostreb calls the Bourne shell scripts TMbulletin, which dumps data from the REB to an ASCII file (\$TM\_SESSION/Bulletin/TMbulletin.IDCREB) and replotuptime, which re-executes plotuptime (via script loopuptime) for the entire day. TMbulletin uses SQL and exits if the status ("\$?" on quitting SQL) is not zero. TMpostreb, loopuptime, and replotuptime also exits at various times if the status is not zero.

# LoopCopy

LoopCopy copies all or part of the data in any STA, TM, or RDF disk loop to a new file.

## Input/Processing/Output

LoopCopy uses starting and ending times of interest and the size of the new file in seconds as input. These three parameters are not required, and the default values are those found in the old file. If none of these parameters are provided, then the new file is a duplicate of the old file.

*LoopCopy* is run using the following command line:

% LoopCopy par=<parfile> <mode(s)> [update] [verbose[=n]]

Table 18 describes the *<parfile>* parameters used by *LoopCopy*.

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TABLE 18: LOOPCOPY PARAMETERS

Parameter	Default	Description
session_directory	none (required)	location of the TM processing environment
scratchdir	<session>/scratch</session>	scratch directory
stlist	all stations	comma-separated list of stations
t1	starttime of data in input file	starttime of the processing segment
t2	endtime of data in input file	endtime of the processing segment
staloop	t2-t1+1	size of new STA files in seconds
tmloop	t2-t1+1	size of new RDF or TM files in seconds
tmlist	all targets	comma-separated list of targets

LoopCopy expects at least one <mode> parameter. The <mode> parameter should be:

- STA when copying from the STA disk loops in <Session>/Region/STA/
  <stn>/Data/ for a list of stations
- TM when copying from the TM disk loops in <Session>/Region/TM/ <tmtype>/Data/
- RDF for copying from the grid.rdf file in <Session>/Region/TM/ <tmtype>/RDF/

Any of these parameters may be present in the same call to *LoopCopy*. For example:

% LoopCopy par=cparfile> STA RDF TM

copies the files for all desired stations, all desired TM disk loops, and grid.rdf.

Files are read from the appropriate subdirectory in *<Session>* (specified in *<parfile>*), and new files are created in the designated scratch directory. Output filenames have the following formats:

```
<input_file>.<tmtype> (TM mode, for example, Target_1001.Network)
<input_file>.<stn> (STA mode, for example, TM001.ARCES)
grid.<tmtype> (RDF mode, for example, grid.Network)
```

Times t1 and t2 in the *<parfile>* may be specified either as epoch times or in the format *YYYY-DDD:HH.MM.SS.sss*. Any data in an input file that fall outside the range given by t1 and t2 are ignored. Data that fall within this range are copied, and the oldest data are discarded if the new file is too small (due to the *staloop* or *tmloop* given in *<parfile>*).

To change the length of the disk loops, *LoopCopy* overwrites the input files using the update option. For example:

```
% LoopCopy par=cparfile> RDF update
```

creates a new RDF file in the designated scratch area and then overwrites the original grid.rdf file, destroying the original contents. The file data.interval is updated. In the case of STA or TM disk loops, cf.length is also updated. The file(s) created in the scratch area are removed.

#### Control

*LoopCopy* is not part of normal TM processing. It is a utility that is run from the command line as specified in the previous section.

## **Error States**

LoopCopy has the same (optional) verbosity parameter as CreateTMSession. Specific error messages from LoopCopy are listed in [IDC6.5.14].

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#### **DATABASE DESCRIPTION**

## Database Design

TM uses a database for describing file products and to obtain REB information. Figure 11 shows the entity-relationship (E-R) model of the schema. Generic file products are described in **fpdescription**, and the rows in this table are linked to the actual product information in **fileproduct** through *typeid*. Three tables are used to extract REB information: **origin**, **originerr**, and **gregion**. The *grn* links the **gregion** table to **origin**, and *orid* links the **origin** and **origerr** tables.

#### Database Schema

Table 19 shows the usage of database tables by TM. For each table used, the third column shows the purpose for reading or writing each attribute. The relationships between the tables are shown in the E-R diagrams of Figure 11.

TABLE 19: DATABASE USAGE BY TM

Table	Action	Attribute Usage
fileproduct	writes	• <i>detplot, plotuptime,</i> and <i>tmstatus</i> insert complete rows as products become available
fpdescription	one-time write	<ul> <li>three complete rows are inserted, one for each product: prodtype = tm_detection prodtype = tm_uptime prodtype = tm_status</li> </ul>
gregion	reads	grname is used by TMbulletin for REB information
origerr	reads	• <i>smajax, sminax, strike, sdobs, szz,</i> and <i>stt</i> are used by <i>TMbulletin</i> for REB information
origin	reads	• orid, jdate, time, lat, lon, depth, mb, ml, ms, ndef, etype and auth are used by TMbulletin for REB information

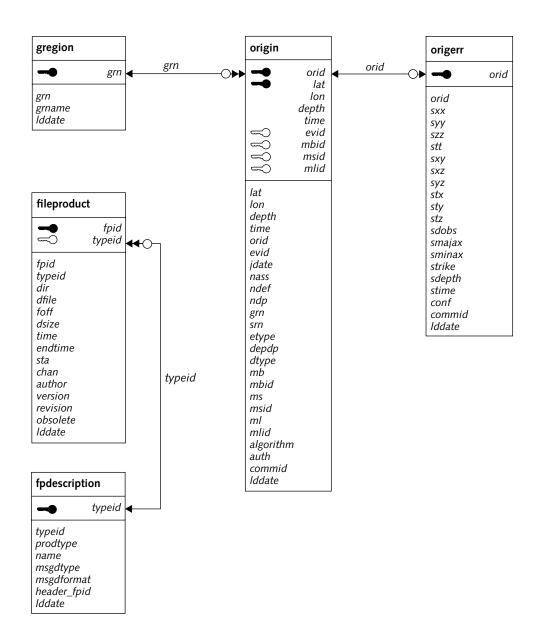


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# Glossary

# **Symbols**

#### 3-C

Three-component.

# Α

## amplitude

Zero-to-peak height of a waveform in nanometers.

#### array

Collection of sensors distributed over a finite area (usually in a cross, triangle, or concentric pattern) and referred to as a single station.

#### arrival

Detected signal that has been associated to an event. First, the Global Association (GA) software associates the detection to an event. Later, during interactive processing, many arrivals are confirmed, improved, or added by visual inspection.

#### **ASCII**

American Standard Code for Information Interchange. Standard, unformatted 256-character set of letters and numbers.

#### azimuth

Direction, in degrees clockwise with respect to North, from a station to an event.

## В

## background noise

Natural movements of the earth, oceans, and atmosphere as seen on S/H/I sensors (usually measured in data preceding signals).

#### beam

(1) Waveform created from array station elements that are sequentially summed after being steered to the direction of a specified azimuth and slowness. (2) Any derived waveform (for example, a filtered waveform).

## beamform

Sum a set of waveforms from array station elements with time delays introduced to compensate for the time it takes a wave to travel across the array.

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#### bulletin

Chronological listing of event origins spanning an interval of time. Often, the specification of each origin or event is accompanied by the event's arrivals and sometimes with the event's waveforms.

## C

#### channel

Component of motion or distinct stream of data.

#### **CMR**

Center for Monitoring Research.

#### coda

Signal of a given phase, which follows the initial waveform of that phase.

#### command

Expression that can be input to a computer system to initiate an action or affect the execution of a computer program.

## component

(1) One dimension of a three-dimensional signal; (2) The vertically or horizontally oriented (north or east) sensor of a station used to measure the dimension; (3) One of the parts of a system; also referred to as a module or unit.

# Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization

Treaty User group that consists of the Conference of States Parties, the Executive Council, and the Technical Secretariat.

## **Computer Software Component**

Functionally or logically distinct part of a computer software configuration item; possibly an aggregate of two or more software units.

## **Computer Software Configuration Item**

Aggregation of software that is designated for configuration management and treated as a single entity in the configuration management process.

## configuration

(1) (hardware) Arrangement of a computer system or components as defined by the number, nature, and interconnection of its parts. (2) (software) Set of adjustable parameters, usually stored in files, which control the behavior of applications at run time.

#### COTS

Commercial-Off-the-Shelf; terminology that designates products such as hardware or software that can be acquired from existing inventory and used without modification.

#### CSC

See Computer Software Component.

## **CSCI**

See Computer Software Configuration Item.

## **CSS 3.0**

Center for Seismic Studies (CSS) version 3 database schema, including a format for storing time-series data in disk files and database descriptors of that data.

#### **CTBT**

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (the Treaty).

#### **CTBTO**

See Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization.

## D

#### DACS

Distributed Application Control System. This software supports inter-application message passing and process management.

#### dB

Decibel.

#### DBA

Database Administrator.

## deg.

Degrees (as a distance).

## detection

Probable signal that has been automatically detected by the *Detection and Feature Extraction (DFX)* software.

## DFX

Detection and Feature Extraction. *DFX* is a programming environment that executes applications written in Scheme (known as *DFX* applications).

## disk loop

Storage device that continuously stores new waveform data while simultaneously deleting the oldest data on the device.

## Ε

#### element

Single station or substation of a sensor array, referred to by its element name (such as YKR8), as opposed to its array name (YKA in this example). (2) Data storage location in a data array.

## entity-relationship (E-R) diagram

Diagram that depicts a set of entities and the logical relationships among them.

## envelope

Overall waveform immediately following a major phase, usually P or S.

## event

Unique source of seismic, hydroacoustic, or infrasonic wave energy that is limited in both time and space.

## F

#### fileproduct

Database table whose records describe files containing products.

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## filesystem

Named structure containing files in subdirectories. For example, UNIX can support many filesystems; each has a unique name and can be attached (or mounted) anywhere in the existing file structure.

# G

## GB

Gigabyte. A measure of computer memory or disk space that is equal to 1,024 megabytes.

## Н

## Hz

Hertz.

## I

## **IASPEI**

International Association of Seismology and Physics of the Earth's Interior.

## **IDC**

International Data Centre.

#### IMS

International Monitoring System.

#### **IPC**

Interprocess communication. The messaging system by which applications communicate with each other through *libipc* common library functions. See *tuxshell*.

# J

#### Julian date

Increasing count of the number of days since an arbitrary starting date.

## Κ

#### km

Kilometer.

## L

#### LAN

Local Area Network.

## M

## magnitude

Empirical measure of the size of an event (usually made on a log scale).

## MB

Megabyte. 1,024 kilobytes.

## N

#### network

Spatially distributed collection of seismic, hydroacoustic, or infrasonic stations for which the station spacing is much larger than a wavelength.

## noise

Incoherent natural or artificial perturbations of the waveform trace caused by ice, animals migrations, cultural activity, equipment malfunctions or interruption of satellite communication, or ambient background movements.

# O

#### **ORACLE**

Vendor of the database management system used at the PIDC and IDC.

## Ρ

#### P phase

Seismic wave that travels from the event to the station as a compressional wave through the solid earth.

## par

See parameter.

## parameter

User-specified token that controls some aspect of an application (for example, database name, threshold value). Most parameters are specified using [token = value] strings, for example, dbname=mydata/base@oracle.

## parameter (par) file

ASCII file containing values for parameters of a program. Par files are used to replace command line arguments. The files are formatted as a list of [token = value] strings.

#### period

Average duration of one cycle of a phase, in seconds per cycle.

## phase

Arrival that is identified based on its path through the earth.

#### **PIDC**

Prototype International Data Centre.

## pipeline

1) Flow of data at the IDC from the receipt of communications to the final automated processed data before analyst review. 2) Sequence of IDC processes controlled by the DACS that either produce a specific product (such as a Standard Event List) or perform a general task (such as station processing).

## primary seismic

IMS seismic station(s) or data that is (are) part of the detection network.

## probability of detection

Probability estimate that an arrival from a given event will be detected at a station given the location and magnitude of the event, the average noise level and its standard deviation at the station, and the signal-to-noise detection threshold.

## R

## **REB**

Reviewed Event Bulletin; the bulletin formed of all S/H/I events that have passed analyst inspection and quality assurance review.

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# S

S

Second(s) (time).

#### script

Small executable program, written with UNIX and other related commands, that does not need to be compiled.

#### SEL3

Standard Event List 3; S/H/I bulletin created by totally automatic analysis of both continuous data and segments of data specifically down-loaded from stations of the auxiliary seismic network. Typically, the list runs 12 hours behind real time.

#### S/H/I

Seismic, hydroacoustic, and infrasonic.

#### slowness

Inverse of velocity, in seconds/degree; a large slowness has a low velocity.

#### snr

Signal-to-noise ratio.

#### **Solaris**

Name of the operating system used on Sun Microsystems hardware.

## SQL

Structured Query Language; a language for manipulating data in a relational database.

#### STA (or STAV)

Short-term average. A running average of the absolute value or squared value of a waveform. The averaging window is short in duration compared to the LTA.

#### station

Collection of one or more monitoring instruments. Stations can have either one sensor location (for example, BGCA) or a spatially distributed array of sensors (for example, ASAR).

#### steer

Construct a beam using time delays consistent with a particular azimuth and slowness.

## Т

#### teleseismic

1) (distance) Source-to-seismometer separations of 20 degrees or more. (2) (event) Recorded at distances where the first P and S waves from shallow events have traveled paths through the mantle/core.

## theoretical arrival

Point where an arrival is expected to appear on a waveform, based on an event's location and depth.

## TM

Threshold monitoring. A technique to keep track of the minimum detectable event based on noise levels at stations.

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## **Treaty**

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT).

#### Tuxedo

Transactions for UNIX Extended for Distributed Operations.

#### tuxshell

Process in the Distributed Processing CSCI used to execute and manage applications. See IPC.

## U

## UNIX

Trade name of the operating system used by the Sun workstations.

#### UTC

Universal Coordinated Time.

## ٧

## version

Initial release or re-release of a computer software component.

## W

#### waveform

Time-domain signal data from a sensor (the voltage output) where the voltage has been converted to a digital count (which is monotonic with the amplitude of the stimulus to which the sensor responds).

#### wavenumber

Vector, k, in the direction of a propagating wave whose magnitude is given by the inverse wavelength of the wave scaled by a factor of  $2\pi$ .

## Web

World Wide Web; a graphics-intensive environment running on top of the Internet.

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